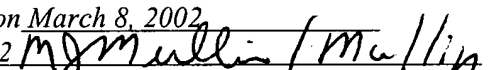


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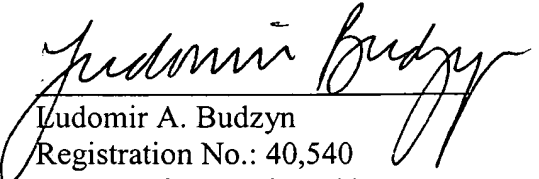
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These documents were cited in an International Search Report of the International Application corresponding to the subject application. A copy of the English version of the Search Report is attached hereto. As indicated in MPEP Section 609 (I)A(3), the submission of an English-language version of a search report satisfies the requirement of submitting a concise explanation of the relevancy of each non-English reference. As will be noted from the attached search report, the three cited Japanese references are "A" references. Only English abstracts of these references are being provided. Complete copies of the references will be submitted upon request by the Examiner.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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